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For:

METHOD FOR THE UNCOUPLED, DIRECT, EXPONENTIAL AMPLIFICATION AND SEQUENCING OF DNA MOLECULES WITH THE ADDITION_OF_A_SECOND_THERMOSTABLE_DNA_POLYMERASE_AND_ITS

APPLICATION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

August 19, 2002

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for three (3) months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated February 22, 2002 from May 22, 2002 to August 22, 2002 (one month having already been paid). Attached is our check in the amount of \$810.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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